



Yavapai County

Our Mission: "Yavapai County will serve and protect its citizens through efficient management of all its resources to enhance the lives of those we serve."



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YCCHS Update: Wednesday May 25, 2022

Confirmed cases of monkeypox, a rare infection that is typically found in central and western Africa, have been reported worldwide during May of 2022. **No cases have been reported in Arizona, as of 5/20.** One confirmed case has been identified in Massachusetts on 5/18 and a second case is under investigation in New York. ADHS released a health alert to providers on 5/20 recommending they consider monkeypox under the following scenarios:

Patients that have an otherwise unexplained **rash** that could be consistent with monkeypox **AND**

1. Traveled, in the 30 days before onset, to a country or area where monkeypox has been reported **OR**
2. Report contacts with a person or people with confirmed or suspected monkeypox, **OR**
3. Men who regularly have close or intimate in-person contact with other men.

Monkeypox can be passed through prolonged face-to-face contact with someone who has monkeypox. It can also be passed by coming into contact with infected bodily fluids or contaminated objects. Some patients may present with rash, swollen lymph nodes, and/or proctitis, and their illness could be clinically confused with a sexually transmitted infection (STI) like syphilis or herpes. According to a CDC alert from 5/20, several clusters involved persons who self-identified as gay, bisexual, or men who have sex with men. For any suspected cases, providers are encouraged to also screen for other rash-associated illnesses, including those caused by sexually transmitted infections or varicella. Providers should notify local public health regarding suspected monkeypox cases and isolate the patient in a negative air pressure room, if available, or a private room. Standard, contact, and droplet precautions should also be used.

Please refer to the CDC for more guidance on monkeypox. www.cdc.gov/poxvirus/monkeypox

COVID-19 Free Testing Sites: We ask that you wear a mask at our testing sites and that you only come to be tested if you are symptomatic or have been recently exposed to Covid-19.

Prescott and Prescott Valley COVID-19 Testing Site: Prescott Gateway Mall, 3250 Gateway Blvd. Prescott.
Days: Monday-Friday. Time: 9 am-4:00 pm. Saturday 9:00 am-4:00 pm. Closed: Sunday

Cottonwood Days: Monday-Friday. **Time:** 8:00am-5:30pm. **Location:** 300 South Willard St Cottonwood, AZ 86326. PCR test.

Camp Verde Days: Monday-Friday. **Time:** 8:00am-5:30pm. **Location:** 1298 W Finnie Flat Rd Camp Verde, AZ 86322. PCR test.

Yavapai County reports 265 COVID-19 Cases and 6 Deaths since Wednesday May 18, 2022. There have been 48,858 positive cases and 6 deaths since the beginning of the pandemic. Yavapai Regional Medical Center reports **11** COVID-patients, VVMC reports **1** patient, and the VA reports **1** patient. If you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 or what seems to be a bad cold, please get tested for COVID-19.

For questions about vaccine registration or to find an appointment near you please visit www.azdhs.gov or call 1-844-542-8201.

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